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In re application of:

Tajima, et al.

Serial No.: Divisional of 09/202,229

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For: CARRIER HOLDING MICRO-SUBSTANCES,

> SYSTEM SUSPENDING SUCH CARRIERS, APPARATUS FOR MANIPULATING SUCH CARRIERS AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING

POSITIONS OF SUCH CARRIERS

Group Art Unit: Unknown

Examiner: Unknown

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

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It is requested that the Examiner fully consider the cited references and that they be cited on the front of any patent issuing from this application. An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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